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Applicants: Michael J. Mazzetti
Title: ANALOG TIMEPIECE WITH A PLURALITY OF DIGITAL DISPLAY FUNCTIONS
Examiner: Leo T. Hinze

Mailed: Santa Barbara, California, 21 February 2006

Statement of Substance of Interview

SUMMARY:

Interview in preparation of Applicant's Amendment-B, in response to second Office Action.

Participants: Leo T. Hinze, Examiner
Andrew Hirshfeld, Supervisory Patent Examiner
Michael Mazzetti, Applicant

Date of Interview: 19 January 2006, with followup conversation of 20 January.

Type of Interview: Telephonic

Exhibits Shown: None

Prior Art Discussed: Saurer, US 4,488,818

Claims Discussed: Claim 1

Agreement Made: None, Applicant to submit written amendment.

CONVERSATION:

Applicant presented a verbal description of the merits and uniqueness of this invention.

The examiner sited a prior patent by Saurer which was found subsequent to the applicants Amendment-A. And, how Saurer presents a structure that lends itself to the applicants invention. The examiner felt that even though Saurer did not explicitly describe an embodiment similar to the Applicants, that Saurer was physically capable of performing this function.

The applicant offered that Saurer did not in fact offer the necessary display resolution. The Applicant's invention is in fact a new method of operation.

Both the Examiner and Supervisor offered to assist this Applicant in devising new claims to define over Saurer. In a subsequent conversation, the Examiner stated that no such rewording had been thought of.

No agreement was reached and the Applicant offered to provide a written response for further consideration.

Correspondence

Please see Applicant's Amendment-B mailed 30th January 2006.

As the Amendment-B was mailed prior to receiving a request for Substance of Interview, please accept this separate mailing. This being sent within a 1 month period from the USPTO mailing of the request, dated 1/30/2006.

Conclusion

This meets the requirement of a formal written description of the substance of an interview. Please attach this document to Applicant's Amendment-B.

RESPONSE TO DETAILED ACTIONS
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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING:

I hereby certify that this correspondence will be deposited with the United States Postal Service by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to "Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" on the date below.

21 February 2006

Michael J. Mazzetti, Applicant